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## **One Week Seizures Total over \$24 Million**

*McAllen Sector Border Patrol has over 40 Seizures*

**McAllen, Texas** – Bureau of Customs and Border Protection agents assigned to the McAllen Border Patrol Sector made 40 seizures totaling 11,778 pounds of marijuana, 453.6 pounds of cocaine and 11.5 pounds of heroin. The narcotics is valued at \$24,881,350. All of the seizures occurred within the last seven days commencing on April 24, 2003.

The McAllen Sector includes nine Border Patrol stations responsible for patrolling 284 miles of river and operating interior highway traffic checkpoints on major highways. The seizures occurred while agents performed traffic-checkpoint operations, line-watch and other patrol duties.

The seizures were a collaborated effort with other federal, state and local agencies. Several of the cases were worked in conjunction with Special Agents of the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Since the beginning of the fiscal year, McAllen Sector agents have seized 187,774 pounds of marijuana, 910 ounces of heroin and 4,085 pounds of cocaine with a combined value of \$285,758,569.

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